



LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH
550 S. VERMONT AVE., LOS ANGELES, CA 90020 HTTP://DMH.LACOUNTY.GOV



ROBIN KAY, Ph.D.
Acting Director

DENNIS MURATA, M.S.W.
Acting Chief Deputy Director

RODERICK SHANER, M.D.
Medical Director

May 11, 2016

TO: Each Supervisor
FROM: *Robin Kay Ph.D.*
Robin Kay, Ph.D.
Acting Director

SUBJECT: **ADVANCE NOTIFICATION OF INTENT TO ENTER INTO SOLE
SOURCE CONTRACT NEGOTIATION WITH COLLEGE HOSPITAL-
CERRITOS**

This memorandum memo is to comply with the Board of Supervisors Policy Manual, Section 5.100, Sole Source Contracts, by notifying the Board of our need to initiate a sole source contract. It is the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health's (DMH) intent to enter into sole source contract negotiations with College Hospital-Cerritos, located at 10802 College Place, Cerritos, CA 90703, to provide acute inpatient services for uninsured adults 18 to 54 years of age brought to the hospital by law enforcement or DMH staff authorized to detain individuals in Service Area (SA) 7.

As part of the Psychiatric Emergency Services (PES) Relief Plan approved by your Board in July 2005 to address overcrowding in the PES at County hospitals, DMH, in cooperation with the Department of Health Services, identified SA 7 as a strategic area of the County where there was a critical need for additional acute care psychiatric inpatient beds for indigent adults and sought acute psychiatric inpatient facilities authorized under California Welfare and Institutions Code (WIC) Section 5150 to detain and treat individuals who are dangerous to self or others or are gravely disabled due to a mental disorder and which were willing to contract with the County for such beds. College Hospital-Cerritos responded to this request and since then, College Hospital-Cerritos has provided acute psychiatric inpatient hospital services for uninsured adults.

The current Hospital Services Agreement with College Hospital-Cerritos, a critical component of the PES Relief Plan, is due to expire on June 30, 2016. There remains need for these contracted acute psychiatric inpatient beds to prevent patients from remaining in the County PES pending availability of County hospital inpatient beds. College Hospital-Cerritos is the only provider in SA 7 authorized under the WIC to involuntarily detain and treat individuals who are dangerous to self or to others or are gravely disabled due to a mental disorder. A new Hospital Services Agreement with College Hospital-Cerritos will ensure the uninterrupted availability of medically necessary acute psychiatric inpatient hospital services for uninsured individuals in SA 7.

Each Supervisor
May 11, 2016
Page 2

Unless otherwise instructed by your Board office within two weeks, DMH will proceed with negotiating a sole source contract with College Hospital-Cerritos.

If you have any questions, please contact me, or your staff may contact Mary Marx, Clinical Program Manager, at (213) 738-4775.

RK:MM:SK:lb

c: Executive Office, Board of Supervisors
 Chief Executive Office
 Mental Health Deputies
 County Counsel
 Dennis Murata, M.S.W.
 Mary Marx, L.C.S.W.
 Angel Baker